

# PUBLIC NOTICE

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION



**RECEIPT OF LOCATION/DESIGN APPROVALS**  
**FOR MD 197 (COLLINGTON ROAD)**  
**FROM KENHILL DRIVE TO MD 450 RELOCATED**  
**PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY**



The SHA provides notice that the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) granted Location Approval for Alternative 4 Modified – Four-Lane Divided and approved the MD 197 (Collington Road) project in Prince George's County as a Categorical Exclusion (CE) on December 30, 2009. The Maryland State Highway Administrator granted Design Approval for the project on June 21, 2010. A project approved as a CE has little or no impact on the environment. For additional information on the CE, please contact the Project Manager.

Alternative 4 proposes a four-lane divided roadway with a 12- to 20-foot-wide raised grass median, 11-foot-wide inside travel lanes, and 16-foot-wide bicycle-compatible outside travel lanes. The roadway section would include a 10-foot-wide bicycle trail along the east side and a five-foot-wide sidewalk on the west side. The median would be narrowed to 12 feet between the Long Ridge Lane/Tulip Grove Drive and Lerner Place/Foxhill Park intersections. In this section, an eight-foot-wide tree panel along the outside edge of the pavement is proposed as an aesthetic buffer for pedestrians. This alternative also proposes closing the Faith Lane/Lyle Lane intersection to reduce the median width and improve safety.

Having received design approval, SHA will develop design plans once the project is funded for the Final Design phase.

Citizen comments provided at and after the February 13, 2008 Location/Design Public Hearing were evaluated and considered as part of the decision on the selected alternative; Alternative 4 Modified – Four-Lane Divided. The Public Hearing transcript was previously available for public inspection and review, and can also be found on SHA's website at the address noted below.

Please address all questions and requests for information to Ms. R. Suseela Rajan, Project Manager, Maryland State Highway Administration, 707 N. Calvert Street, MS C-301, Baltimore, Maryland 21202, by calling 410-545-8514 or toll-free 1-800-548-5026, or email at [srajan@sha.state.md.us](mailto:srajan@sha.state.md.us). The Maryland Relay Service can assist teletype users at 711. For more information on this and other SHA projects, visit [www.roads.maryland.gov](http://www.roads.maryland.gov) and click on Projects and Studies/Prince George's County.

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